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Open Arms Ministry - June 2010 Newsletter

ADOPTION/FOSTER EDUCATION & SUPPORT AT CALVARY

NEW DATE FOR OPEN ARMS MINISTRY MONTHLY MEETING IN JUNE ONLY:

We will be meeting on Wednesday, June 30th, at 7pm in room 131. Otherwise we meet every third Wednesday each month.

CALVARY CHURCH ADOPTION/FOSTER SUPPORT GROUP: The group will be meeting on Friday, June 25th at 7pm in room 131. Childcare (Ages birth to 11 years old) will be provided only for those who RSVP by Tuesday, June 22nd by calling Chris Michalski at 636-916-5588. We invite all our Calvary families who are in the process of adoption, have adopted, or are affected by adoption or fostering.

CALVARY CHURCH ADOPTION/FOSTER SUPPORT GROUP FAMILY BBQ POTLUCK DINNER: Our Support group will be having a dinner on Friday, July 30th, at 6pm in the atrium.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SAVE ORPHAN MINISTRY GOLF SCRAMBLE: Save Orphans Ministry will be holding a golf scramble on Monday, August 2nd, to benefit orphans in Malawi. It will take place at Old Hickory Golf Club in St. Peters. The scramble will be a four person scramble with a shotgun at 1:00pm. Cost is \$150.00 per golfer (includes golf, dinner, beverages and tee gift). Not a golfer? Bring along your friends and family for dinner. Cost is \$35.00 per person. For questions or to register, contact Johnny Robertson at 314-265-6062. 100% of the proceeds go to the orphans of Malawi.

FOSTERING FAITHFUL FAMILIES BBQ:

Join us on July 16 to celebrate Fostering Faithful Families on Friday July 16th for a family BBQ. We would like to celebrate how God has knitted together many families.

The BBQ will begin at 5:30pm at Suson Park, 6059 Wells Road, in St. Louis. A \$20 per family donation is suggested. Everyone is invited.....friends, family, neighbors, church members, those who want to know more about foster care and adoption, and those who support families who foster/adopt! The BBQ will be at the Lakeside Pavillion. A small silent auction will be held in conjunction with the BBQ. If you have something to donate, please give us a call. Thanks for celebrating with us! Please register at www.ffevents.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Open Arms has created a new list of volunteer opportunities for ways to get involved with this ministry and to helping orphans. This list will be on the Open Arms resource table in the welcome center in Mid Rivers.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to Jim and Staci Maneage on the adoption of their new daughter, Elliana, from China.

Congratulations to Steve and Page Galbierz on the adoption of their new son, Liam, from China.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped deliver meals to these two families. It was very much appreciated and helped them out so they could focus on bonding with their new family members.

PRAY FOR:

Waiting families:

Amy & Rob Anderson (domestic adoption);
Joseph & Michelle Clevenger (foster adoption).
Sharon & Paul Young (domestic adoption);
Bo & Brian Taylor (Phillippines adoption);

Foster families:

Tracie Johnson

Monica Bembry

Paul & Jan Wilkin

Buddy & Kristen Johnson

If you are adopting or plan on fostering or know of anyone within Calvary that is not on our list, please let our ministry know so that we can add the family to this list, and lift them up in prayer.

Open Arms Ministry Team Leaders:

Laura Fox & Chris Michalski - Leaders for Adoption Ministry

Staci Maneage & Brian Taylor - Leaders for Orphan Ministry

Kristen Johnson & Christy Kaufman - Leaders for Foster Ministry

For in You, the orphan finds mercy. Hosea 14:3c, NASB

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